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passengers from this port, 4 ; passengers in transit, 31 ; baggage disinfected, 7 pieces.

Respectfully,

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

CANADA.

Inspection of immigrants at Quebec and Halifax.

QUEBEC, CANADA, *May 18, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended May 17, there were inspected 914 immigrants ; passed, 902 ; detained, 12. * * *

At the port of Halifax, Nova Scotia, during the week ended May 17, there were inspected 167 immigrants ; passed, 163 ; detained, 4. * * *

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Correction.

QUEBEC, CANADA, *May 19, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to request that following correction be made in my report for the week ended May 17 :

Instead of 914 immigrants inspected and 902 passed, it should read 814 inspected and 802 passed.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

CHINA.

Reports from Hongkong—Plague, cholera, and smallpox.

HONGKONG, CHINA, *April 15, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the abstract of bills of health issued at this station during the week ended April 12, 1902.

Nine vessels were inspected during the week, 493 individuals were bathed at the disinfecting station, and 635 bundles of clothing and bedding were disinfected by steam.

The sanitary report for the week shows that there were 3 cases of plague and 3 deaths. Two of the cases were among the Portuguese population. For the corresponding week last year there were 18 cases of plague and 20 deaths.

The cholera situation remains about the same, 22 cases and 21 deaths having been reported. The cases have all been among the lowest class of Chinese—people who live in the most unhygienic way and depend for their water and food supply on outside sources. It is safe to say that the Government water supply has not been infected and when sufficient for the needs of the entire population the epidemic will subside. There were also 2 cases of enteric fever during the week, 1 having been imported from Canton.